

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Montana Department of Justice (DOJ), and the United States hereby give notice of a 30-day public comment period on the April 25, 2008 Settlement Agreement in *United States and the State of Montana v. ASARCO LLC, Atlantic Richfield Company ("Arco"), and Arco Environmental Remediation LLC*, No. **6:08-CV-00030** DWM, lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Montana, Helena Division. In this action, the United States and the State of Montana alleged claims for injunctive relief, recovery of response costs, and recovery of natural resource damages in connection with the release and threats of release of hazardous substances at and from the Mike Horse Mine and surrounding area in Lewis and Clark County, Montana. The 30-day public comment period began on Monday, May 05, 2008 and ends on June 4, 2008. Comments are being received by the U.S. Department of Justice and should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either emailed to pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611. Comments should refer to *United States v ASARCO, LLC, Arco, and Arco Environmental Remediation*, No. **6:08-CV-00030**, DJ No. 90-11-3-09141/1. Commenting parties may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 6973(d). The Settlement Agreement is subject to the district court's approval as well as bankruptcy court approval in the *Matter of ASARCO LLC, et al.*, No. 05-21207 (Bankr. S.D. Tex.). The Settlement Agreement may be examined on the DEQ website at <http://www.deq.mt.gov/pubcom.asp> or the DOJ website at: <http://www.doj.mt.gov/lands/naturalresource/noticespubliccomment.asp>.